IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Hastings, et al.

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and Encoding Genes

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

For:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action mailed August 21, 2000 for five (5) months from September 21, 2000, to and including February 21, 2001.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-3425 in the amount of \$1,890.00 to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this submission, please charge our Deposit Account No.08-3425.

Respectfully submitted,

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